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In re Patent Application of: James S.W. Lee

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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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Sir:

Applicants' undersigned attorney wishes to thank Examiner Luk for the interview kindly granted on April 28, 2004. At the interview it was agreed to amend claim 14 with changes with positive claim limitations of the protrusions on the pins for the first and second undercut regions and also changes to clarify the means for pulling the pins.

Therefore, the application is now in good form for issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

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Sir:

In response to Notice of Allowability mailed April 30, 2004, enclosed for filing are corrected drawing sheets for Figures 1-18, for the above-identified application. The corrected drawing sheets are submitted in accordance with the recommendations of the draftsperson and do not introduce any new matter.

Entry of the enclosed drawing sheets is respectfully requested.

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